The Basics of Hepatitis A



Hepatitis A can spread from person to person. It hurts the liver and can make you sick for weeks to months.

Anyone can get the virus. Those at highest risk:

- use drugs
- are homeless
- have been in jail recently
- are men who have sex with men
- have close contact (live or have sex) with someone who is infected

If you are at risk, the hepatitis A vaccine is available at NO COST at DHEC Health Departments.

HOW IT IS SPREAD



Items used for any drug use



Close contact



By eating food contaminated by the feces (*poop*) of an infected person

SYMPTOMS



Stomach pain



Fever



Vomiting



Jaundice (yellowing of the skin or eyes)



Dark urine



Pale stools (poop)

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